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*Plague in Egypt.*

Throughout Egypt there were reported under date of October 7, 1901, 7 cases of plague as follows: Four Europeans at Alexandria; 1 native at Benha, and 1 European and 1 native at Mit Gamr. Since the beginning of the epidemic, April 7 last, there have been 173 cases of plague in Egypt, with 85 deaths.

Respectfully,

J. M. EAGER,

*Passed Assistant Surgeon, U. S. M. H. S.*

The SURGEON-GENERAL,

*U. S. Marine-Hospital Service.*

NAPLES, ITALY, *October 14, 1901.*

SIR: I have the honor to inform you that the steamship *Sicilia*, of the Hamburg-American Line, left this port on October 14, 1901, with 502 immigrants, for New York. The captain was given a sealed letter addressed to the quarantine officer, port of New York, as follows:

"In addition to the information given on the accompanying bill of health, I have to inform you that the steamship *Sicilia*, leaving this port to-day for New York, lay off from the wharf while at Naples; that due precautions were taken to prevent rats from going aboard; that communication with the shore was under my supervision; that the cargo was submitted to a careful scrutiny in order that articles likely to convey contagion should not go without proper treatment, and that all the steerage passengers were submitted to a medical examination before going aboard. The temperature of all steerage passengers has been taken and all persons having a temperature above normal have been detained.

"All baggage of steerage passengers was disinfected in accordance with the regulations of the U. S. Marine-Hospital Service.

"Vaccination was omitted, in compliance with the regulations, as likely to increase the liability to plague infection and tending to confuse diagnosis in case of suspicious illness aboard."

Respectfully,

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JAPAN.

*A case of cholera near Yokohama.*

YOKOHAMA, JAPAN, *October 3, 1901.*

SIR: I have the honor to notify you that the following case of quarantinable disease has been reported in the suburb of Yokohama on September 23: Place, Sakuragi-cho; disease, cholera; 1 case and 1 death.

I have no return in meantime regarding the new cases or contagion of cholera. On account of the weather getting cool by degrees, probably there will be no appearance of cholera or plague, etc., in Japan.

Respectfully,

K. ROKKAKU,

*Acting Assistant Surgeon, U. S. M. H. S.*

The SURGEON-GENERAL,

*U. S. Marine-Hospital Service.*